

REMARKS

Claims 44-68 are pending in the present application. Claims 22 and 24-43 were presented for examination. Claims 22 and 24-43 have been cancelled. Claims 44-68 have been added by amendment.

In the office action dated July 23, 2003, the Examiner (1) objected to the drawings under 37 CFR 1.83(a); (2) rejected claims 22 and 24-43 under 35 USC 112 as containing subject matter which was not described in the specification; (3) rejected claims 26-34 and 39-43 under 35 USC 112 as being indefinite for failing to point out and distinctly claim the subject matter; (4) rejected claims 28-29 and 32-33 under 35 USC 102(a) as being anticipated by Applicant's admitted prior art Figure 1; (5) rejected claims 26-27, 30-31 and 39-43 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Applicant's admitted prior art Figure 1 in view of Park et al. (5,296,400); (6) rejected claims 26-34 and 39-43 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Park et al. (5,296,400) in view of Poppert et al. (4,593,459) and further in view of Lin et al. (5,318,924), and (7) rejected claims 28-29 and 32-34 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Noguchi et al. (4,935,802) in view of Poppert et al. (4,593,459) and further in view of Lin et al. (5,318,924).

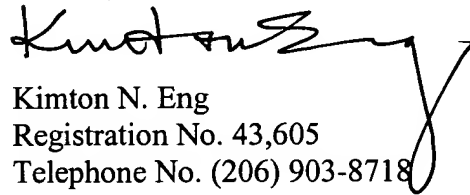
In view of the cancellation of claims 22 and 24-43, the Examiner's objection to the drawings is now moot.

In view of the cancellation of claims 22 and 24-43, and the addition of new claims 44-68, the Examiner's rejections of claims 22 and 24-43 are now moot. Claims 44-68 have been added to claim alternative embodiments of the invention described in the specification. No new matter has been added by claims 44-68.

All of the claims pending in the present application are in condition for allowance.
Favorable consideration and a timely Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

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